

**NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Minutes**

**Slatington, PA
December 10, 2001**

PURPOSE The regular meeting of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors was called to order by the President, Mr. Gary S. Fedorcha, at 8:04 p.m. on Monday, December 10, 2001 in the Board Room of the Slatington Elementary School.

ROLL CALL Members present: Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer, Mrs. Jane J. Escott, Mrs. Lauren A. Ganser, Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos, Mrs. Sheryl A. Giles, Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr., Mr. Jason M. Newhard, Mr. Gary Fedorcha (8)

Members absent: Mr. Cox (1)

Non-members present: Dr. Nicholas P. Sham, Mrs. Lynne B. Fedorcha, Mr. Christopher Iacobelli, Mrs. Karen Nicholas, Mr. John Hrizuk, Mr. David Papay, Mr. Robert Mack, Mr. Brian Geiger, Mr. Bernard Rockovich, Mr. Jeffrey Bachman, Ms. Laurie Newman, Ms. Pamela Grammes, Mr. Nicholas Sander

VISITORS Approximately four visitors attended the meeting in addition to Sharon Minnich, reporter for The Times News.

APPROVE MINUTES A motion was made by Mrs. Geronikos, with a second made by Mr. Newhard, that the minutes of the regular school board meeting held on November 5, 2001 and the regular school board meeting held on November 12, 2001 be approved and ordered filed.

YEA: Mr. Dorshimer, Mrs. Escott, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Giles, Mr. Green, Mr. Newhard, Mr. Fedorcha (8)

NAY: None (0)

SPECIAL BOARD REPORTS Carbon-Lehigh Intermediate Unit -- Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer
Mr. Dorshimer gave his report for the month of November.

Committee Reports and/or Meetings All board members received a copy of the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on November 27, 2001.

Mr. Dorshimer requested, and was granted, permission to move the December Finance Committee meeting from Monday, December 17 to Tuesday, December 18.

Board members were once again reminded to bring their board policy manuals in for updating.

Student Representatives To The Board Report -- Pamela Grammes and Nicholas J. Sander
The student representatives to the board gave their report for the month.

Federal and Other Programs --Mrs. Lynne B. Fedorcha
Mrs. Fedorcha announced that the senior high school will be awarded an achievement award in the amount of \$19,824.00 as a result of our eleventh grade students achieving an increase in the PSSA scaled score points. Mrs. Fedorcha also distributed a written Administrative Assistant's report.

An Executive Session was held immediately following the regular meeting for personnel issues.

PERSONNEL A motion was made by Mrs. Escott, with a second made by Mrs. Geronikos that the Board of Education approve the following personnel items:

Appointments

Non-Instructional Evonne Blocker
 Assignment: Special Education Aide in the Peters Elementary School, replacing Nancy Wagner, who resigned.
 Salary: \$8.64 Per Hour/6 ½ Hours Per Day/5 Days Per Week
 Effective Date: December 11, 2001

Instructional Kathy M. Walter
 Assignment: Half-time Temporary Professional Employee Developmental Reading Teacher in the Northern Lehigh Middle School replacing Nadine Boykin, who is replacing Babette Guss.
 Salary: One-half of \$35,500 or \$17,750 (Pro-rated) (Appendix A – Step 1 Bachelors +24)
 Effective Date: December 18, 2001

Uncompensated Leave Approve the request of Jacqueline Sham, Slatington elementary third grade teacher, to take an uncompensated leave from her teaching position for the second semester of the 2001-2002 school year in accordance with School Board Policy #439.

Salary Adjustment For J. Bachman Approve to adjust the annual salary of Jeffrey Bachman, Information Technology Assistant. Retroactive to July 1, 2001 his salary will be \$35,200.

Salary Adjustment For K. Nicholas Approve to adjust the annual salary of Karen Nicholas, Peters Elementary Principal. Retroactive to July 1, 2001 her salary will be \$72,000.

Salary Adjustment For C. Iacobelli Approve to adjust the annual salary of Christopher Iacobelli, Slatington Elementary Principal. Retroactive to July 1, 2001 his salary will be \$72,000.

Volunteer Aide Approve the following individual as an unpaid volunteer aide in the Peters Elementary School for the 2001-2002 school year: Diane Krause

ROLL CALL: YEA: Mrs. Escott, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Giles, Mr. Green, Mr. Newhard, Mr. Fedorcha (6)
 NAY: Mr. Dorshimer, Mrs. Ganser (2)

Motion carried.

POLICY A motion was made by Mr. Dorshimer, with a second made by Mr. Green, that the Board of Education approve the Northern Lehigh High School Student Activities Fund Statement for the month of November 2001.

YEA: Mr. Dorshimer, Mrs. Escott, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Giles, Mr. Green, Mr. Newhard, Mr. Fedorcha (8)
 NAY: None (0)

NEW BUSINESS A motion was made by Mr. Newhard, with a second made by Mrs. Geronikos, that the Board of Education approve to accept the Act 93 Administrator Compensation Plan for the Northern Lehigh School District Middle Level Management Team, as presented, effective July 1, 2002 and continuing through June 30, 2006.

ROLL CALL: YEA: Mrs. Escott, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Giles, Mr. Green, Mr. Newhard, Mr. Fedorcha (7)
 NAY: Mr. Dorshimer (1)

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mrs. Geronikos, with a second made by Mrs. Giles, that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Mr. B. Urbane Byler who is the Northern Lehigh School District representative to the Board of Trustees of the Lehigh Carbon Community College. Mr. Byler's resignation will become effective at the end of the January 2001 LCCC meeting.

YEA: Mr. Dorshimer, Mrs. Escott, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Giles, Mr. Green, Mr. Newhard, Mr. Fedorcha (8)

NAY: None (0)

FINANCIAL

A motion was made by Mr. Dorshimer, with a second made by Mr. Newhard, that the Board of Education approve the following financial items:

Treasurer's Report Approve the report of the Treasurer , Mr. Cox, for the month of November 2001, as presented.

Reports (Info Only) All board members received the November 2001 Expenditure Reports for the Cafeteria, General, and Capital Reserve funds.

General Fund Bills Approve payment of General Fund bills for the month of November 2001 as presented.

INFORMATION

All board members received a copy of the minutes of the Lehigh Carbon Community College Board of Trustees meeting held on November 1, 2001.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Patricia Nonnemaker addressed the board with regard to her dissatisfaction with the district's special education program(s) and school activities.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Dorshimer, with a second made by Mr. Newhard that the regular meeting of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

YEA: Mr. Dorshimer, Mrs. Escott, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Giles, Mr. Green, Mr. Newhard, Mr. Fedorcha (8)

NAY: None (0)

Respectfully submitted,

Jane J. Escott
Secretary

ATTEST: _____ President
Gary S. Fedorcha